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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
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EXAMINING GROUP 1711**

PATENT
Docket Docket No. 96135CON2

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Applicant: Lucarelli et al.

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For: **POWDER COATING COMPOSITION**

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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 13, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks.

REMARKS

The present invention relates to powder coating compositions comprising at least one powdered polymer and a metal oxide which has been sized-reduced to a specified mean agglomerate particle size. Claims 1-23 are pending in this application.